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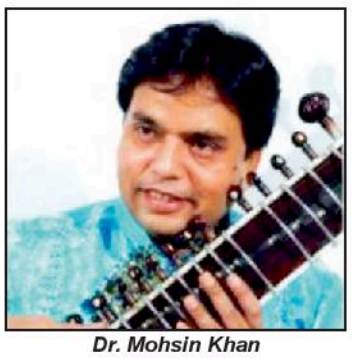
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 30th May 2025

'Sitar Madhurya' mass recital and book release on May 31

Mysuru, May 30 (MTY&BNR)- 'Sitar Madhurya,' a Mass Sitar Recital and 'Raag Chikitsa' book release programmes have been organised by Kala Samvahana Trust at RamaGovinda Rangamandira in Ramakrishnanagar on May 31 at 5.30 pm.

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion. Vidu. Sangeetha Katti Kulkarni, Excise Joint Commissioner Basavaraj Hadapad, BBMP Divisional Commissioner Dr. B.C. Sathish, writer-sitarist Ustad Dr. Mohsin Khan will be the chief guests. Trust President Rajeshwari Vastrad will preside.



Dr. Mohsin Khan

On the occasion, Dr. Mohsin Khan and his disciples will give a Mass Sitar Recital programme. Ustad Nisar Ahmed, Pt. Chinmay Namannavar and Charudutt Maharaj will accompany.

Also, Vidu. Sangeetha Katti Kulkarni will give a vocal concert. She will be accompanied by Sridhar Mandre on tabla and Sathish Kolli on harmonium.

Ustad Dr. Mohsin Khan is the great grandson of 'Sitar Ratna' Ustad Rahimat Khan who performed in the court of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar in 1911, started to learn Sitar when he was a 5-year-old from his grandfather Prof. Abdul Karim Khan. Then he continued to learn under his father Ustad Hameed Khan. He has given concerts not only across India, but also in Europe, Japan, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Nepal and Russia.

The unique Sitar heritage in Karnataka, which began with Ustad Rahimat Khan's arrival in Mysuru in 1911, travelled to many foreign countries through his successors. Now the seventh generation of the same Gharana, Dr. Mohsin Khan is back here, launching a Sitar class in Mysuru [Contact Mob: 97388-38940].

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

HOW TO SUBDUE THE MIND?: ***Sri Ramanujamji said in a discourse that a man becomes happy when a desire is fulfilled. Until that desire is achieved, his heart palpitates. The palpitation stops when the desire is fulfilled, and that moment is called happiness. But the real problem is that when one desire is fulfilled, another crops up, and equally, the palpitation also goes up.***

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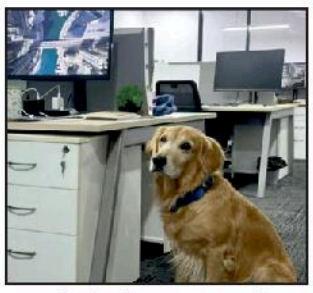
Chanting God's names will remove depression, sorrow, anger, jealousy, and mental agitation and bring peace and happiness. It will transform a person and society into something good. — *In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Startup hires dog as 'Chief Happiness Officer'



Hyderabad: A Hyderabad-based robotics startup is winning hearts online, not for its tech, but for its latest recruit: a golden retriever named Denver, appointed as the company's Chief Happiness Officer (CHO).

The startup, which focuses on sustainable agriculture through laser-weeding technology, recently welcomed Denver to its team. The startup's co-founder introduced the four-legged colleague in a now-viral LinkedIn post, saying, "He doesn't code. He doesn't care. He just shows up, steals hearts, and keeps the energy up."

The post has received over 12,000 likes and hundreds of comments, with many praising the startup's pet-friendly policy and Denver's undeniable charm.

Belgium accused of stealing wind

Brussels: The CEO of a Dutch weather forecaster recently suggested that Belgian wind farms are inadvertently "stealing" wind from his own country's wind farms in the North Sea.

In an interview, Remco Verzijlbergh, the CEO of Dutch weather forecasting service Whiffle, claimed that Belgian wind farms in the North Sea have an advantage over Dutch ones because of their placement, adding that they are effectively "stealing" Dutch wind. Verzijlbergh claimed that Belgian wind farms are taking up to 3 percent of wind energy from Dutch installations, adding that wind speeds measured behind a wind turbine are measurably lower. He clarified that the phenomenon is purely accidental because of the location of the wind turbines, pleading for better coordination between countries in the near future.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Urinary tract infection is second most common infection in human body after respiratory tract infection.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T.P. – Consultant – Urology & Andrology, Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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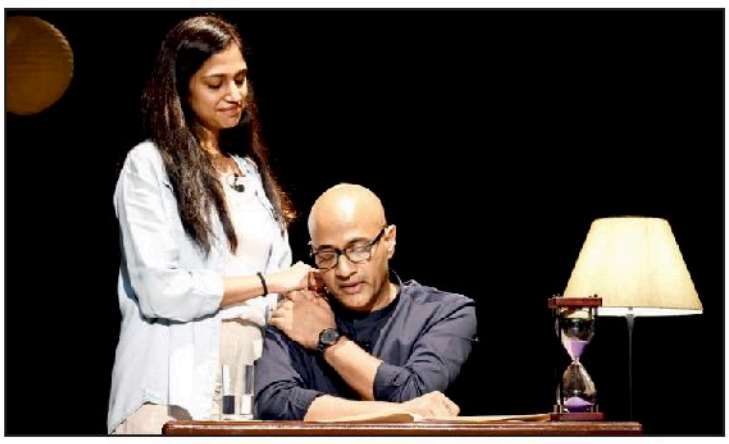
** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Staging of 'Love Letters - Ninna Preethiya Naanu' tomorrow



Mysuru, May 30 (VNS) - Multilingual actor Kishore Kumar and actress Siri Ravikumar will be staging the play *'Love Letters – Ninna Preethiya Naanu'* tomorrow at Kiru Rangamandira in Kalamandira premises.

Mysuru-based Rangavalli Theatre Group has invited artistes from Theatre Collective Institute, Bengaluru, to stage the play directed by Venkatesh Prasad. **There will be two shows at 4 pm and 7 pm.** Tickets are priced at Rs. 150 each. For tickets contact Mob: 99001-82400.

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- *An adult gorilla is around six times stronger than a human.*
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- *They can live up to 40 years in the wild.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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2021 gangrape and murder case in Mysuru

Five get 20-year jail

Mysuru, May 30 (RK&KS)- Mysuru city's 7th Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced five individuals to 20 years of rigorous imprisonment after they were found guilty of sexually assaulting a woman, resulting in her death.

Those convicted are, Rafiq Ahmed alias Talla (26) of Shanthinagar (A-1), R. Manjunath alias Manja (25) of Mandi Mohalla (A-2), Manu alias Ladies (23) of Lashkar Mohalla (A-3), Revanna alias Reva (27) of Lashkar Mohalla (A-4) and Krishna (40) of Lashkar Mohalla (A-5).

The incident occurred on the night of Feb. 15, 2021. Around 9 pm, Rafiq brought an unidentified woman and was seen sitting with her in front of a shop on Benki Nawab (BN) Street near Lashkar Mohalla.

He then sexually assaulted her at the same location and later moved her to a dark spot near another shop and assaulted her again. Soon, Manja, Manu, Krishna, and Revanna joined him and took turns sexually assaulting the woman. The continuous assault led to her death. Believing her to be unconscious, the accused fled the scene.

(See JAIL on page 7)

Bheema pulls off rug; exposes rape accused

Mysuru, May 30 (RK&KS)- Soon after the woman's body was discovered, Police summoned the Dog Squad and sniffer dog Bheema arrived at the scene with handlers S. Basanth Kumar and Vasanth.

After sniffing the victim's body, Bheema initially walked a short distance before returning. On being prompted again, Bheema began tracking a scent trail along the road, eventually leading the Police to the South Gate of the Government Guest House near Mini Vidhana Soudha.

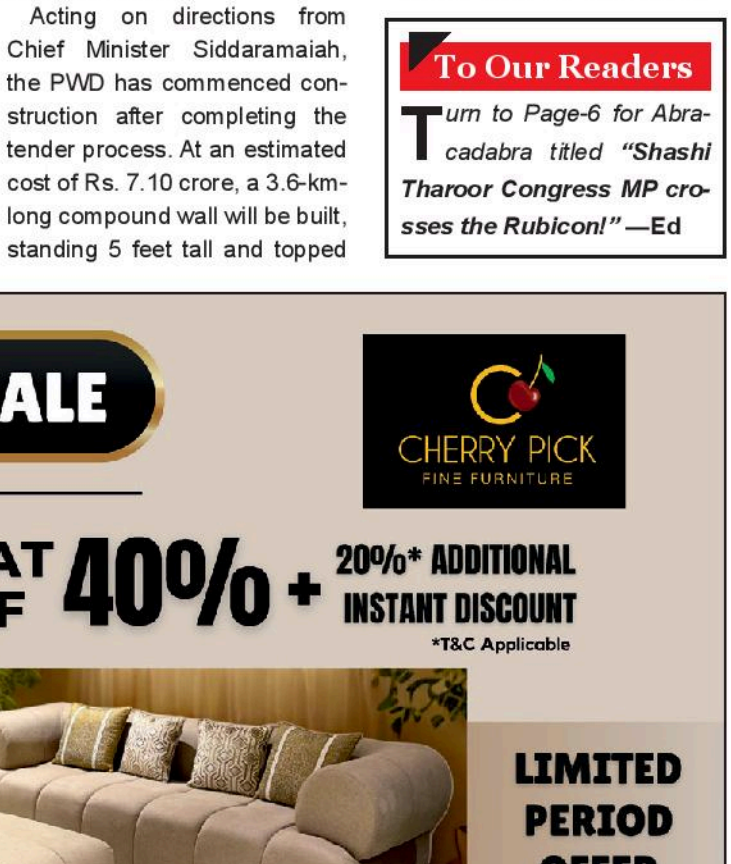
There, Bheema approached two men sleeping on the footpath under a rug. He pulled off the rug and began barking persistently at them. Startled by the barking and the sudden presence of the Police, the two men awoke in shock.

The Police immediately took the pair into custody. During interrogation, they confessed to sexually assaulting the woman along with three other accomplices and revealed their identities.

Based on this information, the Police arrested the remaining three accused, effectively cracking the case. Sadly, Bheema passed away in 2022 at the age of 10, just four months after retiring from service. His vital role in solving this case remains a testament to his dedication and training.

Film City Project takes off at Immavu

PWD begins 3.6-km boundary wall work with Rs. 7.10 crore



Mysuru, May 30 (RK&BS)- The long-awaited Film City project at Immavu in Nanjangud taluk is inching closer to reality, with the Public Works Department (PWD) initiating work on securing 110 acres of the 160-acre site earmarked for the development.

Acting on directions from Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, the PWD has commenced construction after completing the tender process. At an estimated cost of Rs. 7.10 crore, a 3.6-km-long compound wall will be built, standing 5 feet tall and topped with an additional 1.5 feet of solar fencing.

A Work Order has been issued to contractor Ashok, with a seven-month deadline for completion. Ahead of construction, the area is being cleared of weeds and vegetation.

(See PROJECT on page 6)

To Our Readers

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Renowned Poet

H.S. Venkatesh Murthy no more

Venkatesh Murthy

Bengaluru, May 30 (VNS)- Renowned Kannada poet, playwright and critic Dr. Hodigere Shanbhog Venkatesha Murthy, famously known as H.S Venkatesh Murthy, passed away at a private hospital in Bengaluru early this morning. He was 80. His body was kept at Ravindra Kalakshetra till 2 pm today for public to pay their respects.

He leaves behind four sons, daughters-in-law and grand-children.

Born on June 23, 1944 at Hodigere in Channagiri Taluk, Davanagere, he was known for his literary works which included poetry and plays.

His poem collections include *Parivrutha, Bagilu Badida Janagalu, Saugandhika, Moovathu Malegala* among others. His plays include *Hejjegalu, Ondu Sainika Vruthantha* and *Agnivarna* among others.

(See VENKATESH MURTHY on page 6)

NEWS BRIEFS

Apprenticeship training

The Technical Training Institute of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Bengaluru, has invited applications from ITI passed candidates for full-time Apprenticeship training in the trades of Fitter, Turner, Machinist, Electrician, Welder, COPA, Carpenter, Foundry Man, Sheet Metal Worker, Tool and Die Maker, CNC Programmer cum Operator and MRAC. Interested candidates can obtain the prescribed application form from the Office of the District Employment Exchange, Government ITI premises, Bengaluru-Mysuru Road, N.R. Mohalla and submit the same along with all necessary records before June 6, according to a press release. For more details, contact: Ph: 0821- 2489972.

Deadline extended to June 30

The Social Welfare Department has extended the deadline for SC community students studying professional courses in educational institutions across Mysuru taluk, to apply for Post-Matric student scholarship to June 30. The annual income of the parents of applicants must not exceed Rs. 2.5 lakh. The eligible SC community students should apply through the State Government's scholarship portal- ***ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in,*** according to a press release. For more details, visit the Department office at Dr. Babu Jagjivanram Bhavan, Adipampa Road, Vontikoppal East, Paduvarahalli or contact Ph: 0821- 2520910.

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Tragedy at Shivanasamudra

Bengaluru MBBS student swept away; father alleges murder

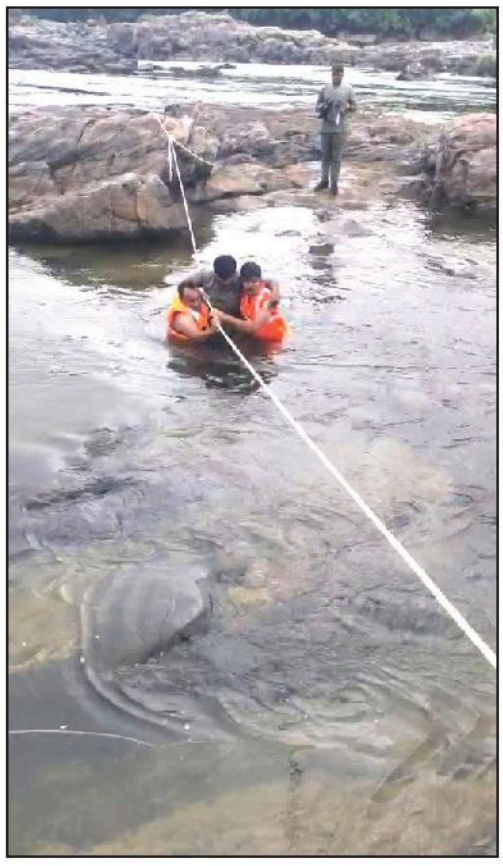
Nandakumar

Kollegal, May 30 (KS)- A trip to Shivanasamudra turned tragic for a group of medical students from Dayananda Sagar Medical College, Bengaluru, as one of them was swept away by the strong currents of the River Cauvery.

The incident occurred on May 27 and the body of the missing student was recovered the next morning. In a shocking development, the victim's father has now alleged foul play, claiming that his son was murdered by his college friends.

The deceased has been identified as Nandakumar, a resident of Ramanagara and a first-year MBBS student at Dayananda Sagar Medical College.

He was part of a group of seven students who visited Gaganachukki and Bharachukki Falls before arriving at Shivanasamudra. Despite heavy rains and the river flowing in full force, four students, including Nandakumar, ventured into the turbulent river behind the dargah for a swim.



All four were caught in the strong currents and struggled to stay afloat. While three students — 23-year-old Pramod, 22-year-old Prafulla and 20-year-old Tushara — managed to cling to a rock and screamed for help, Nandakumar was swept away and went missing. Local residents who witnessed the scene quickly alerted the Fire and Emergency Services.

Kollegal Fire Station Officer Arun Kumar and his team rushed to the spot and successfully rescued the three students with the help of residents using a rope. A search operation was launched immediately for Nandakumar but had to be called off late at night due to low visibility and high water levels.

The operation resumed the following morning, and Nandakumar's body was finally traced and recovered from the river. However, the case has now taken a new twist. Nandakumar's father, Shivashankar, a Manager at Bengaluru Dairy, has filed a complaint with the Kollegal Rural Police, alleging that his son was murdered by his college friends.

The Police, who have conducted a spot mahazar, have recorded statements from the students and are investigating the matter.

Unidentified bodies found

Mysuru, May 30 (RK&KS)- Devaraja Police, who found a body of an unidentified man near the South Gate of Mysore Palace on Tuesday, have registered a case.

The deceased is said to be a rag picker. Public, who saw the rag picker still sleeping tried to wake him up, found him dead and informed the Police.

Jurisdictional Devaraja Police, who reached the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary besides registering a case.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Devaraja Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418306 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

The Mysuru Railway Police on May 29 have found a body of an unidentified man, who was run over by a train between Ashokapuram and Kadakola Railway Stations and have shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary.

The deceased is aged between 45 and 50 years, 5.5 ft. tall, well built, oval faced, sports white beard and moustache, has the name 'Likitha Muthu' tattooed on his left hand and was wearing a purple-coloured stripes half arm shirt, white pants, grey shorts and Timex wrist watch.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579.

Hit and Run

Daughter killed; mother serious as goods vehicle hits moped

Mahadevi

Mysuru, May 30 (KS)- A 30-year-old woman was killed while her mother sustained serious injuries when a goods vehicle hit the moped they were riding and sped away near Dasappa Circle in the early hours about three to four days ago.

While the deceased is Mahadevi, her seriously injured mother is Mangalamma, residents of Manjunathapura in city.

Mahadevi and Mangalamma, who used to sell greens, left on their TVS moped (KA-09-JK-3278) to the market near the Gun House at about 3 am. After purchasing the greens, they were proceeding near Dasappa Circle at about 4.30 am, when a goods vehicle hit the moped and sped away resulting in the woman and her daughter falling on the road and sustaining serious injuries.

Though the public rushed them to K.R. Hospital, Mahadevi is said to have breathed her last midway. Mangalamma is undergoing treatment at the Hospital. Mahadevi leaves behind her two daughters.

Devaraja Traffic Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Sale of low quality, expired food items

Rs. 1.35 lakh penalty imposed on four shop owners

Mysuru, May 30 (RK&KS)- Four shop owners, who were found selling low quality and expired food items in Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) limits have been fined Rs. 1.35 lakh.

When the officials of the Health and Family Welfare Department, Food Safety & Drug Administration Department and Food Testing Laboratory conducted an inspection at the four shops, they were found selling low quality and expired food items.

Kamal Fruits Processing and Beverages was found manufacturing tomato sauce using bad quality tomatoes, following which Rs. 50,000 fine was imposed on the owner. Likewise, Ambika Traders at Old Santhepet has been fined Rs. 10,000.

JP Specialty Foods at T.K. Layout has been fined Rs. 25,000 and Vishal Bar and Restaurant on Akbar Road has been fined Rs. 50,000, according to a press release.

Woman goes missing

Dhanalakshmi

Mysuru, May 30 (RK&KS) - A 55-year-old woman, who left her house at about 6 am on May 23, has since gone missing.

The missing woman is Dhanalakshmi, wife of S. Krishnakumar, a resident of 6th Main, 6th Cross in V.V. Mohalla, according to the complaint lodged by her son K. Hemanth Kumar. Dhanalakshmi has a burn mark on her left arm.

Those having any information about the missing woman, may contact V.V. Puram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418314 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339 or Mob: 96067-50088, 96636-62773 or 99809-56746, according to a press release.

Obituary

M.K. Shivashankar

Mysuru, May 30- M.K. Shivashankar (42), a resident of Ramanuja Road, passed away following brief illness on Wednesday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday, according to family sources.

VOICE OF THE READER

Closing Janaushadhi Kendras is a regressive decision

Sir,

The State Government has decided to close the Janaushadhi Kendras — a flagship initiative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi — located within the Government Hospital premises.

The reason cited by State Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao is that these Kendras are unnecessary since Government Hospitals are expected to provide medicines free of cost, eliminating the need for doctors to prescribe them.

It is commendable that the Government Hospitals offer free medicines to patients. However, there may be instances when specific medicines are unavailable, compelling doctors to prescribe them from external sources.

In such cases, the Janaushadhi Kendras, which sell generic medicines at significantly lower prices than branded ones, should be the first choice.

Furthermore, even individuals not receiving treatment at these hospitals often purchase medicines from the Kendras. Hence, it is difficult to understand the rationale behind the Minister's decision to shut them down. Their closure is certainly not in the public interest.

—K.R. Jayaprakash Rao
Nazarbad
27.5.2025

Intl. Nurses Day at Cauvery Hospital

Mysuru, May 30 (KS)- Cauvery Heart and Multi-Speciality Hospital, Mysuru, commemorated International Nurses Day by honouring the dedication, compassion and vital contributions of its nursing staff.

The event, held at the Hospital premises recently, was attended by Dr. M.S. Jayanth, District TB Officer, who was the chief guest.

The celebration was organised under the guidance of Dr. G.R. Chandrashekar, Chairman, Dr. Sarala Chandrashekar, Managing Director, Dr. B.S. Rajeeva, Medical Superintendent, K.M. Prashanth, Facility Director and P. Jasmine, Nursing Superintendent.

In his address, Dr. Jayanth praised the tireless efforts of nurses, particularly in the post-pandemic healthcare landscape. "Nurses are the backbone of any healthcare system. Their round-the-clock dedication, empathy and resilience are invaluable to patient care and recovery," he said.

The event featured speeches, a special felicitation ceremony for outstanding nursing staff and cultural performances by the hospital team.

Dr. Chandrashekar emphasised the evolving role of nurses in modern medicine, stating, "As healthcare becomes more specialised, our nurses continue to rise to the challenge with professionalism and a patient-first approach."

Dr. Sarala Chandrashekar extended her gratitude to the Nursing Department, noting, "Their commitment is the heart of this hospital. Today, we honour their strength, skill and spirit."

The celebration served not only to recognise the contributions of nurses but also to reaffirm Cauvery Hospital's ongoing commitment to excellence in patient care through a strong and motivated nursing workforce.

'Apologise by this evening'

Karnataka Film Chamber warns Kamal Haasan

Bengaluru, May 30 (VNS)- The Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce (KFCC) has demanded a public apology from actor Kamal Haasan for his 'Kannada born from Tamil' remark. KFCC has set a deadline till this evening and has warned to ban the actor's upcoming movie '*Thug Life*' if he fails to apologise before the deadline.

Sa Ra Govindu

Kamal Haasan

Speaking to media persons, here yesterday, KFCC former President Sa. Ra. Govindu said, "In case Kamal Haasan fails to apologise by Friday evening, the Chamber will not allow the release of '*Thug Life*' in their area," adding that there was no sympathy for Kamal Haasan.

KFCC President M. Narasimhalu said that the pro-Kannada organisations had demanded a ban on the movie '*Thug Life*' for which a meeting was convened at the Film Chamber to discuss on the issue and it was decided that the actor must apologise. Narasimhalu said that they were trying get in touch with the actor.

It may be recalled that Kamal Haasan had made a controversial statement in which he said "Kannada was born out of Tamil" during a promotional event in Chennai which led to widespread protests by pro-Kannada organisations. The activists also vandalised the posters of the movie '*Thug Life*' which is set to release on June 5.

Karnataka Rakshana Vedike President Praveen Shetty filed a complaint at RM Nagar Police Station in Bengaluru accusing the actor of disrupting harmony.

Open Day, Jayciana-2025 at JSS STU

Mysuru, May 30 (GA&VNS)- JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU) will be organising Open Day and Jayciana-2025 at its campus in city from tomorrow.

Open Day will be held between 10 am and 6 pm on May 31 at the SJCE Campus and will be inaugurated by JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath.

JSS STU Vice-Chancellor Dr. A.N. Santosh Kumar and others will be present. The flag-off will be held at SJCE Statue Circle.

The Open Day will feature live interactions with faculty and students from all departments, campus tour and facility demonstrations, project exhibitions, thematic competitions including poster presentations, product demos and prototype focusing on sustainability in environment, health and energy, career guidance and admission counselling for aspiring students.

Meanwhile, the two-day Jayciana-2025 annual cultural fest will be held from June 1 at the campus.

5K Run in city on June 1

Mysuru, May 30 (VNS)- Oculis luris, Forensic Medicine and Toxicology Club of JSS Medical College, Mysuru will be conducting a 5K Run on June 1 (Sunday) to create awareness about sexual assault and the importance of protecting vulnerable individuals, especially children. The event is being organised under the guidance of the Department of Forensic Medicine & Toxicology and JSS Medical College.

The 5K run will commence from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at 7 am. For registration visit *https://biker.highwaydelite.com/event/104* or contact Mob: 99596-90413 or 91010-86445.

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Free Medical Camp

Mysuru, May 30- NJ Hospital has organised a free Medical Camp on Saturday (May 31) from 9 am to 2 pm at NJ Hospital Unit-2 in Paduvarahalli here.

The initiative aims to deliver accessible and specialised healthcare services, with free consultations and health screenings, including Body Mass Index; Bone Mineral Density; Baby Anthropometry and Neurology Evaluation.

A team of expert multi-speciality doctors from NJ Hospital - Mysore Institute of Gastroenterology will be available — Dr. Manu Prakash, Orthopaedic Expert, Joint Replacement & Spine Surgeon; Dr. Mukund, Medicine, Physician and Dr. Meghana, Paediatrician. Contact Mob: 98448-11844 or 91486-08034.

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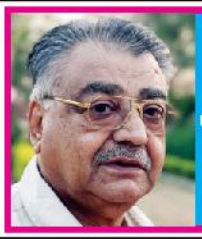

Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Shashi Tharoor, Congress MP, crosses the Rubicon!

Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Congress MP Shashi Tharoor

Despite reluctance and reservation on the part of the Congress party, Shashi Tharoor, the Congress MP, agreed to lead one of the seven delegations sent by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's BJP-led NDA Government to 32 countries to explain about the "Operation Sindoor." The delegation five was led by Shashi Tharoor will visit USA, Panama, Guyana, Colombia and Brazil.

The delegation of other political parties was led by their respective leaders without much controversy. It was only with Shashi Tharoor, the Congress High Command has issue — for whatever reason. Which is why I likened acceptance by Shashi Tharoor to lead the delegation as crossing the Rubicon. Remember Julius Caesar, though asked not to cross the Rubicon River and come to Rome, he defied the Senate and Pompey, one of the Triumvirates, as we find in the Congress party (you know them) and marched into Rome triumphantly?

I am sure Shashi Tharoor too will return to Delhi with his delegation triumphantly after presenting India's case abroad. This confidence comes from what I saw and heard online about Shashi Tharoor addressing the press in Colombia. What a flow and presentation of the sequence of events that led to 'Operation Sindoor'! Wondered if the leaders of other teams too are as good as Tharoor.

Here is excerpts of what Tharoor spoke in Colombia, which is self-explanatory:

I have to say that we were a little disappointed in the reaction of the Colombian Government, which apparently expressed heartfelt condolences on the loss of lives in Pakistan after the Indian strikes, rather than sympathising with the victims of terrorism. There can be no equivalence between those who dispatch terrorists and those who resisted them.

We will say to our friends in Colombia, there can be no equivalence between those who attack and those who defend. We are only exercising our right of self-defence.

And if there is any misunderstanding here on this call, we are here to dispel any such misunderstanding. We are very happy to talk to Colombia in some detail about the circumstances. We have, as I said, very concrete proof.

In fact, when this terrorist attack occurred, it was immediately claimed by an organisation called The Resistance Front (TRF)...

Just as Colombia has endured many terror attacks, so have we in India. We have endured a very large number of attacks for almost four decades. Frankly, it is now very well established that Pakistan has been breeding the monsters of terrorism for a very long time for their own purposes.

We all know that when Osama bin Laden was being hunted around the world, it was Pakistan that gave him shelter... The Americans found him in a safe house near an army base in a cantonment city...

And for this reason, we would like the Government and people of Colombia to understand that there should be no equivalence. Lives lost, maybe lives lost, but the lives lost in India were those of tourists, of civilians, of nuns, of worshippers, of ordinary people. The lives that were lost in Pakistan were the lives of terrorists, well-known terrorists.

There was also, I would say my friend, an intention on the part of the terrorists to provoke a negative reaction in India against our brothers and sisters from the Muslim community. The terrorists specifically asked if people were Hindu or non-Muslim before shooting them dead. There were 25 Hindus, one of them from Nepal and one Christian who was shot dead.

In addition, of course, the shells killed Sikhs and Christians as well, but I say this to you that India very proudly stayed united. We stayed as one voice.

After this address by Shashi Tharoor, other members of the team too spoke on other bilateral issues like trade etc. Thereafter, Shashi Tharoor fielded questions from the audience.

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23 Kodagu athletes among 31 dismissed from Sports Hostel

Bengaluru, May 30 (VNS)- In a shocking move, the Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES) has dismissed 31 athletes, who had represented at the State and National level, from the Sports Hostel in the city recently, citing poor performance.

Among the 31 athletes, 23 alone are from Kodagu district. With their dismissal, the future of these athletes is in a limbo, at least till they find new accommodation.

Sources said that, the 23 athletes from Kodagu were studying in various PU and Degree colleges. Few of the students, hailing from poor economic background, have expressed their inability to afford accommodation in Bengaluru, which comes at a cost.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, DYES Kodagu Assistant Director V.T. Vismayee Chakravarthy justified the decision to dismiss the athletes stating that it was a regular process. "Sports Hostels have limited seats and only those athletes with good performance will be allowed to stay, while under performers will be removed. The athletes must maintain their high performance levels," she added, citing stringent norms.

Vismayee also mentioned that, for athletes studying from class five to 10, the rules are flexible, as their performance in sports will be given a least priority, since they would be in a learning phase. But for the students of PUC and Degree colleges, they need to perform well since the competition is intense.

Film City project takes off

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The remaining 50 acres of land identified for the project will be acquired subsequently to complete the enclosure.

Once boundary works are completed, the foundation stone for the Film City will be laid, said PWD Assistant Executive Engineer Siddaraju. Major construction activities will begin thereafter, based on estimates aligned with the Detailed Project Report (DPR), added T.K. Harish Kumar, Assistant Director, Department of Information and Public Relations. The State Government had earmarked funds for the ambitious Film City in its 2024–25 Budget. A coordinated effort by the District Administration, Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB), Revenue Department, and the Information and Public Relations Department helped identify the 160-acre parcel, of which 110 acres have now been transferred to the PWD to kickstart the project.

Student distributes birthday sweets; commits suicide later

Gonikoppal, May 30- A 19-year-old student, who distributed birthday sweets to her friends, later committed suicide by hanging self at her hostel room at Halligattu village in Ponnampet taluk on Wednesday. The girl had celebrated her birthday three days ago and had distributed sweets to those who had not attended her birthday celebration.

Tejaswini

The deceased student is Tejaswini, a native of Lingasur in Raichur district, who was pursuing her first year Engineering course at Coorg Institute of Technology (CIT) at Halligattu and was staying in college hostel.

It is learnt, Tejaswini celebrated her birthday with her friends on Monday and on Wednesday she distributed sweets to others.

According to Police, Tejaswini returned to her hostel room at about 4 pm and her classmates went to her room only to find it locked from inside and began to knock on the door. When she did not respond, they informed hostel authorities who forcibly opened the door and found Tejaswini hanging. The reason for her to take the extreme step is yet to be known.

Ponnampet Police, who visited the spot, conducted mahazar and registered a case.

H.S. Venkatesh Murthy no more

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Venkatesh Murthy had also contributed to Kannada Film Industry by writing dialogues and lyrics to movies such as 'Chinnari Mutha', 'Kotreshi Kanasu', 'America America', 'Mythri', 'Kirik Party' among others. He had also penned title songs of popular Kannada soaps 'Muktha' and 'Mahaparva' among others.

He has received numerous awards including Kendra Sahitya Akademi, Bal Sahitya Puraskar (2013) for his book 'Kathana Kavana', Best Lyrics award for the song in the movie 'Hasiru Ribbon' at the 66th Filmfare South Awards. Venkatesh Murthy was also Chairman of 85th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana held at Kalaburagi in 2000.

'Home Guards work as supplementary force of Police Department'

Mysuru, May 30 (MK&BS)- Dy.SP of District Armed Reserve (DAR) Police Veeranna said that Home Guards unit strengthens Police force by functioning as a supplementary force, by stimulating and assisting them.

He was speaking at the valedictory ceremony of the 10-day Foundation Training Camp-2025 organised by Mysuru District Home Guards unit, at DAR Police Community Hall, Jyothinagar in city yesterday.

Veeranna appealed Home Guards to join force to enable the Police to protect the land and the country.

"Until three months ago, you were common man, but now you have got an opportunity to wear uniform like Police, upon being inducted into Home Guards unit. Making judicious use of the opportunity, involve yourself in rendering social service," said Dy.SP Veeranna.

The selection process was conducted in a transparent manner, by recruiting only those who were eligible and have been provided training to join the mainstream of the society. In this competitive era, not many will be opportune, but your dream to wear khaki has become a reality and make right use of the opportunity, advised Dy.SP Veeranna.

Home Guards District Commandant Dr. Kantharaj said, a total of 204 candidates were selected for the Home Guards unit and 177 among them appeared for training. Apart from the Police Department, Home Guards will be deputed to 57 Government Departments. With this, the successful Home Guards can also render social service, with the very unit serving as a platform to work with dedication.

Five get 20-year jail

Sniffer dog Bheema helps nab accused

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Following a tip-off, the then Devaraja Inspector R. Diwakar and Sub-Inspector Raju launched an investigation and apprehended all five accused. Since the body was found within Lashkar Police limits, the case was later transferred to the Lashkar Police Station. Inspector Suresh Kumar filed the charge-sheet.

Judge M. Ramesh, who presided over the trial, found the accused guilty based on CCTV footage, witness statements, the dog squad report and DNA analysis.

All five were sentenced to 20 years of rigorous imprisonment. Additionally, a fine of Rs. 5,000 each was imposed on A-1, A-2, A-3, and A-5.

Bheema (late) with his handler S. Basanth Kumar.

K. Nagaraj served as the Public Prosecutor in the case.

Felling of trees: Samiti writes to CM demanding judicial probe

Mysuru, May 30 (BLU&DM)- Taking forward its campaign against tree felling, city-based 'Parisara Ulivigaagi Kriya Samiti' has urged Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to order a judicial probe into the felling of over 40 trees on Hyder Ali road recently and to penalise and punish the guilty officials.

In a five-page letter addressed to CM Siddaramaiah, the Samiti urged the State Government to follow the Uttar Pradesh Model of law and send the culprits to jail.

"The Government should ensure that incidents such as felling of trees on Hyder Ali Road in the city does not recur elsewhere in the State. Also, Tree Authorities must be formed at all City Corporations and at other local bodies. Measures must be taken for planting 40 tree saplings on Hyder Ali Road as per Karnataka Tree Conservation Act-1976 and a nameplate must be installed at the roadside in memory of the incident," the Samiti said.

The letter further said, "Permission of the City Planning Authority must be compulsorily taken for felling of trees only if absolutely necessary whenever road widening or other civic works are taken up. At the same time, suggestions of public must also be mandatorily taken into account. Amendments must be brought to the Tree Conservation Act for ensuring that such acts do not recur. The Tree Authority must be vested with powers to deal with any acts of unauthorised tree felling. Also, the powers for sanctioning felling of trees must be given only for top Forest officials of the rank of Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) and above. Besides, the Government should make it mandatory to get permission from the concerned Tree Authority for cutting down of 10 or more trees," the Samiti said in the letter.

MDA site scam

Lokayukta SP seeks additional six months to file final probe report

Mysuru, May 30 (BLU&BS)- Lokayukta Superintendent of Police (SP), Mysuru Division, has sought six months additional time from Special Court for Elected Representatives, Bengaluru, to submit a final investigation report on the 50:50 site scam at Mysuru Development Authority (MDA- previously Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA)), in which Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is the prime accused.

As the Judge of Special Court for Elected Representatives Santosh Gajanan Bhat, resumed hearing of the case yesterday, advocate Venkatesh Arabhatti, appearing for Lokayukta Police, filed an affidavit seeking six months more time to file a final probe report, as the investigating agency was awaiting the permission of the Government to inquire three officials in the case.

RTI activist Snehamayi Krishna, the complainant in the case, who called objection, sought permission from the Court to prove the charges against CM Siddaramaiah and three others accused in the case, as the Lokayukta Police, in their interim probe report have claimed that 'the charges against Siddaramaiah and others were yet to be proven.'

Krishna said, Lokayukta Police have been buying time to submit the probe report, citing lame reasons. They have even failed to prove the charges, despite granting time to conduct the probe and file the final report. Hence, the Lokayukta SP T.K. Udesh, the Investigation Officer (IO) in the case should be changed and separate First Information Reports (FIRs) should be filed into the cases of irregularities in site allotment at MDA reported between 2016 and 2024, added Krishna in his appeal.

Following this, Judge Santosh Gajanan Bhat adjourned the hearing to June 17, besides directing the advocate appearing for Lokayukta Police to file their objection, for the appeals of Krishna.

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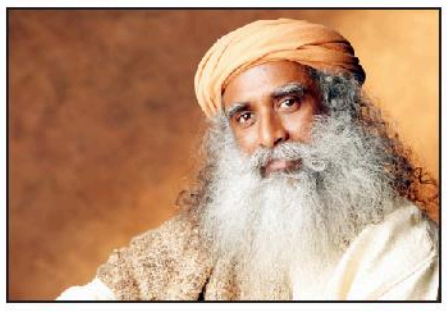


By Sadhguru - Founder, Isha Foundation

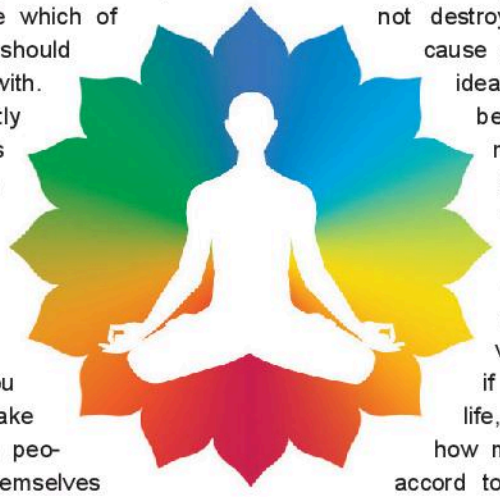
Making the Spiritual Process Effortless

Spiritual process means a conscious self-destruction. Very few people are seeking it consciously. Generally, for most people, the spiritual process comes in the pursuit of their well-being. They are only seeking well-being, but slowly, they realise as long as their individual nature exists, there is no such thing as well-being. So then, willingly and unwillingly, they begin to destroy themselves.

Self-destruction is painful unless there is a complete dis-passion about who you are. It is painful, but with every bit of yourself being destroyed, you feel more beautiful. So, the longing to burn is there. The longing to preserve is there. These are two forces within you, always.

One aspect of you just knows preservation. Self-preservation is a fundamental instinct in you — in every life form for that matter. Another half of you is longing to become liberated from this limitation of who you are. Today, it feels like all your material pursuits are stupid. You want to drop it and go away to the Himalayas or wherever you think it is. But three days later, suddenly you feel the whole spiritual nonsense is so stupid. Somebody who was just making money and enjoying their breakfast, lunch, dinner is smart.

For a few individuals, spiritual process is very effortless. They simply go on it without hesitation. For most others, it is a huge struggle because they are unable to choose which of these forces they should align themselves with. You are constantly weighing which is better. You don't know where you belong. You are trying to see which is more advantageous. Whichever you choose, you make a mistake. Most people have made themselves like this. Whatever they choose, they feel they have made a mistake in their life. There is endless conflict within themselves because this is the nature of the creation. Without the instinct to preserve, there would be no survival process. But if you identify yourself with those forces, you feel trapped and suffocated.



To be rooted in the dimension which is longing for liberation and still effectively handle your survival needs a certain amount of skill and juggling with life, which destroys many people. It need not destroy them but because people have this idea that they have to be aligned or they must be identified with something strongly, that is why they struggle. If you don't identify with both, and if you just look at life, depending upon how much priority you accord to something that functions and happens in a certain way, the other things can be handled to the best of our ability. That is all that can be done in life. But people always believe that unless they are identified with something, things cannot happen. They are afraid to just be here without being identified with any particular dimension of life, just looking at everything.

Even externally, everybody wants to belong to some party because there is safety in belonging to some party. In identification there is security. Or at least, there is a feeling of security. So, people always identified themselves with this and struggle with that or identify themselves with that and struggle with this. If you just begin to understand life as various forces working upon you, above all, learn to understand the nature of the fundamental life force which is you, which decides the quality of everything that you do and are, and learn to see how to make it happen without identifications, then you see whatever kind of situations you are placed in, there is no struggle. As the external situations demand, you function; that's all.

[Ranked amongst the fifty most influential people in India, Sadhguru is a yogi, mystic, visionary and best-selling author. Sadhguru has been conferred the "Padma Vibhushan," India's highest annual civilian award, by the Government of India in 2017, for exceptional and distinguished service.]

Donate for soldiers welfare: Ex-President of Government Nurses Association

Mysuru, May 30 (GA&BS)- G. Siddaiah, former President of Karnataka State Government Nurses Association said that nurses should not just be financially stable, but should develop certain qualities to render a stronger service.

He was speaking after inaugurating International Nurses Day, marking Florence Nightingale's birth anniversary, organised by Retired Nursing Officers Association, at a private hotel here recently.

"The service of Florence Nightingale is a model for the world. She started her career from Military Hospital and later got promotion in service, making remarkable contributions in the nursing field. Those who opt for nursing career should keep Florence Nightingale as a role model," appealed Siddaiah.

Those in nursing profession should be honest in discharging their duty. Earlier, the nurses were not getting promotion in service, but now the situation is different, with the increase in number of nurses recruited at all the hospitals. They are financially self-sufficient, with myself drawing a monthly pension of Rs. 80,000. The nurses at Government Hospitals are also receiving a handsome salary up to Rs. 1.5 lakh, indicating how the very field has grown economically, said Siddaiah.

Siddaiah also gave a call to the Nurses Association to do their mite for the welfare of soldiers, and donated Rs. 1,000 for the purpose. Later, the audience too chipped in with their donations, showing their patriotic spirit.

Retired nurses Shobha, Jasmia, Chandramma, Muddu Rangamma, Venkatamma, Jnanaveene, Lakshmi, Manidevi, Vidya, Vinodamma, Jayamma and Mary were felicitated on the occasion.

Association Founder-President Dr. P. Rangaswamy, Hon. President K.K. Kushalappa, General Secretary Hemalatha, Treasurer Alice Florence Crasta, President of Retired Nursing Officers Association Shivamma and Govindachari were present on the occasion.

Savarkar's ideology must be propagated for Hindu welfare

Writer Dr. G.B. Harish speaks after receiving Veer Savarkar Samman Puraskar 2025

Mysuru, May 30 (PM&BCT)-

Veer Savarkar

"Vinayak Damodar Veer Savarkar's ideology must be propagated from the perspective of Hindu welfare. Only if Hindus remain the majority in this country will the Constitution and democratic values survive," opined Dr. G.B. Harish, Founder, Vandemataram Pathashale, Bengaluru, writer-critic, Indian and Western Philosophy.

He was speaking after receiving the Veer Savarkar Samman Puraskar 2025 at an event organised by Savarkar Pratishthana Mysuru to commemorate Veer Savarkar's 142nd birth anniversary at Kalamandira last evening.

Dr. Harish voiced concern over the suppression of Hindus and Hinduism in modern India by communal and vested interests and emphasised that Savarkar's ideology stands for a revitalised and constitutionally safeguarded Hinduism.

"Wherever Hindus are weak, Hinduism faces threats. Wherever Hinduism is awakened, Hindus grow stronger. Supporting Savarkar's ideology is synonymous with supporting Hinduism — a path that must be constitutionally pursued," he said.

A genius ignored by the ruling class

Dr. Harish noted that although Savarkar lived in post-independence India, successive Governments ignored his contributions.

"He was never even included in the Bombay Municipal Corporation. Nehru ruled for 17 years, followed by Lal Bahadur Shastri, yet Savarkar's strategic mind was never tapped — even during the wars with Pakistan and China. If Savarkar were born in China, he would have been given the nation's highest honour," he stated.

He further lamented that Savarkar was denied a Government pension and that 10,000 pages of his writings, confiscated by the Police, were never returned. "His literary genius and historical insight remain hidden from the nation," he added.

Bhagat Singh and Savarkar

Dr. Harish, who is set to release a book comparing Bhagat Singh and Veer Savarkar, criticised attempts by left-leaning historians to pit the two revolutionaries against each other. "Bhagat Singh himself called Savarkar 'Veer Savarkar' in a Hindi journal. The narrative that paints them as ideological opposites is a distortion," he said.

He called Savarkar's life a story of victory, not victimhood. "Every effort Savarkar made shook the British. His pen and gun both instilled fear in colonial rulers. Yet, post-Independence India tried to erase him, just like the British."

Referring to Savarkar's song "Jayostute," Dr. Harish said it was once sung by Lata Mangeshkar on All India Radio, but she was removed from her job and issued a notice for it — an act he called "a shame for a free India."

Presenting the award, Swami Muktidanandaji, President of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru, praised Savarkar's life and work. He said, "Reading Savarkar inspires patriotism and intellect. His message is like the sun — bright and full of national pride. Unfortunately, our education system ignores him. If the youth read Savarkar, they will learn to love and defend the nation."

Other dignitaries at the event included Sri Shivabasava Swami of Sri Ramayogishwara Mutt, Babybetta, Dr. N. Chandrashekar from Aditya Adhikari Hospital, Gokulam and Dr. S. Yashaswini, President, Savarkar Pratishthana. The event concluded with a call to intensify the translation and dissemination of Savarkar's literary works in Kannada through the Savarkar Sahitya Sangha.

MP opposes any move to shift HAL outside State

Mysuru, May 30 (DM)- Even as Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu is said to have appealed the Centre to shift the public sector HAL (Hindustan Aeronautics Limited) to AP from Karnataka, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar said that the pride of Karnataka HAL was established by Kannadigas and that late Prime Minister Nehru had nothing to do with it.

Yaduveer

In a press statement, Yaduveer said that many States including Andhra Pradesh have appealed the Centre to establish HAL in their State. But crores of Kannadigas will not allow HAL to be moved out of the State for any reason, he said adding that all efforts will be made to ensure that HAL remained in Karnataka.

Urging the State Congress Government to apprise the Centre on the infrastructure and other facilities available in Karnataka, he said that even the MPs will apprise the Centre on this matter.

Asserting that HAL was established by and for Kannadigas, he stressed on the need for taking forward this giant Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) with continued activities and research.

Taking strong exception to Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar's remarks that HAL was established by Nehru, Yaduveer said it was the then Inter-continental Corporation President William D. Pawley and Walchand Group who had first mooted the establishment of **Hindustan Aircraft Limited** way back in 1940. Responding to this, the erstwhile Mysore Maharajas sanctioned 700 acres of land at Bengaluru and also invested in the company.

Pointing out that the company played a key role in the II World War, the MP said, post-independence, the company was renamed as **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited** and brought under the Ministry of Defence in 1964. HAL's contribution to defence forces will always be remembered by the people and etched in history, he pointed out.

Rebukes Kamal Haasan's statement

Rebuking actor Kamal Haasan's statement that Kannada was born out of Tamil, Yaduveer said that the actor's comment is strongly condemnable. Stating that he should first understand Kannada's history, the MP said that the Kannada script (lipi) is recorded for long.

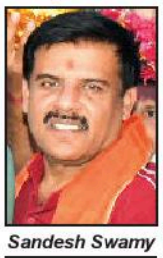
"The actor must know that Kannada and Tamil, both being ancient languages, have their own scripts and history," he said adding that Kamal Haasan's statement is ridiculous.

CM Naidu denies HAL shift claims

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has denied claims he sought to relocate HAL from Karnataka to Andhra Pradesh. He said his request to the Centre was only to establish a new defence manufacturing hub in Andhra Pradesh.

Former Mayor demands revival of Industries set up by Maharajas

Mysuru, May 30 (SBD&DM)- With reports indicating that Andhra Pradesh is making efforts to convince the Centre to relocate Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to Andhra Pradesh, former Mysuru Mayor Sandesh Swamy has urged the Government to revive all the industries set up by the erstwhile Mysore Maharajas.



Sandesh Swamy

In a press statement, Sandesh Swamy said that the Karnataka Government should take immediate measures for revival of all industries set up by the erstwhile Mysore Maharajas. Pointing out that HAL is one of the prestigious industry set up at Bengaluru in 1940, he accused the State Government of unnecessarily blaming the Centre, instead of taking measures to retain PSUs in the State.

Stating that iconic industries such as Silk Factory, Sandalwood Oil factory, Mysuru Sandal Soap factory, Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Works, Kolar Gold Fields, Bhadravathi Cement factory, Mysore Paper Mills etc., were all established by the Mysore Maharajas decades ago, he bemoaned that these industries were now either shut down or on the blink of closure because of the Government's apathy, poor management and failure to run or revive them.

Charging the State Government of creating unnecessary controversies instead of focussing on revival of these prestigious industries, he alleged that 'commission' may be behind the appointment of actress Tamannaah Bhatia as the Brand Ambassador for Mysore Sandal Soap, who has been paid a whopping Rs. 6.2 crore. He wondered how the Government industries can survive if such wasteful expenditures are made.

Basava Balaga Trust inauguration and Basava Jayanti on June 1

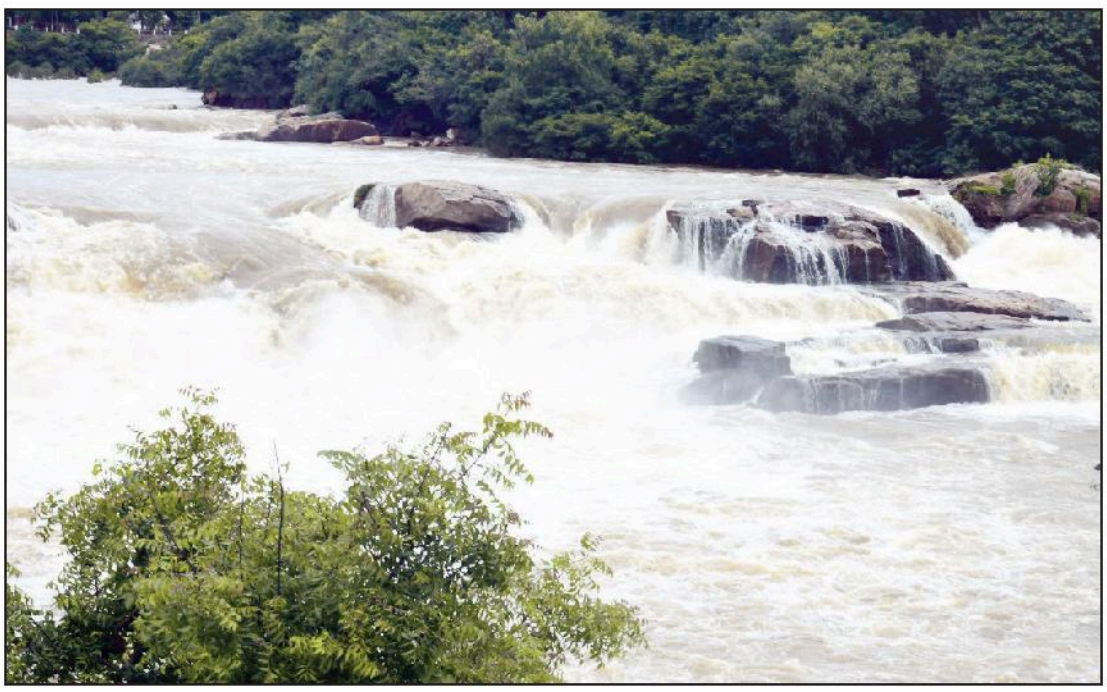
Mysuru, May 30 (GA&DM)- The newly formed Basava Balaga Trust (Mysuru East Zone), located in JSS Layout 2nd Stage, Yandalli Road in city, will be inaugurated on June 1.

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, Trust President Shivaswamy said that Basava Jayanti will also be celebrated on the occasion. Stage programme will take place at 6 pm in the presence of Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji. Former IPS officer Shankar Bidari, MLA H.M. Ganesh Prasad, Additional DC Dr. P. Shivaraju and others will be present. The programme will also feature presentation of 'Pratibha Puraskar' to meritorious children of Trust members who have scored more than 90 percent marks in SSLC and PUC (2024-25) and felicitation of achievers belonging to Veerashaiva-Lingayat community.

Trust office-bearers D. Lohith, Srikantamurthy, Mahadevaswamy, Naganna, T.G. Nagendra, Devappa, Prabhuswamy and Kumaranna were present at the press meet.

Early monsoon brings life to Cauvery Basin

KRS Reservoir touches 100.10 ft mark; Dhanushkoti waterfall thrills tourists



Dhanushkoti waterfall at Chunchanakatte, K.R. Nagar taluk in Mysuru district.

Mysuru, May 30 (MTY&BCT)- Kodagu and other parts of the Cauvery Basin are witnessing a dramatic rise in river water levels following an early and intense South West Monsoon. The Dhanushkoti waterfall near K.R. Nagar in Chunchanakatte has turned into a roaring natural spectacle, attracting hundreds of visitors.

Located about 55 kilometres from Mysuru, this breathtaking waterfall offers a spectacular view as the Cauvery River, originating from Talacauvery, plunges over 60 feet before reaching the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam. The milky-white cascade resembles foam, creating a mesmerising scene.

The monsoon's early arrival — nearly two weeks ahead of schedule — has brought heavy rains not seen in May for almost two decades. Rivers that had run dry have been revived, providing vital relief to the region.

Catchment areas such as Talacauvery, Bhagamandala, Kushalnagar in Kodagu District, and Hunsur and K.R. Nagar in Mysuru district have all recorded exceptional rainfall. This marks the first time since 2006 that Cauvery is flowing robustly in May.

This morning, the KRS Reservoir level crossed the 100-ft. mark, reaching 100.10 ft against a full capacity of 124.80 ft, with an inflow of 19,448 cusecs.

Officials from the Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Ltd (CNNL) note that since 1990, the Damr has reached this level in May only twice, the last occurrence being in May 2022. Last year, it reached 100 ft only by July 5, and in 2023 on July 25.

Tourists are flocking to the viewing towers and surrounding areas of Dhanushkoti Falls, eager to capture the stunning scenes on their cameras and smartphones. The strong flow is also influenced by a nearby private hydropower facility about 300 metres from the falls, adding to the force of cascading water.

With lush greenery revitalising the landscape, the early monsoon has sparked renewed interest in the Cauvery region. Nature lovers and weekend travellers alike are drawn to experience this vibrant transformation firsthand.

Tourists banned at Dubare Elephant Camp

Mysuru, May 30 (MTY&BCT)- In view of continuous heavy rainfall across Kodagu district, tourist entry to the Dubare Elephant Camp has been suspended until further notice.

The region is witnessing intense downpours accompanied by strong winds, resulting in fallen trees and blocked roads. With water levels in the Kaveri River rising rapidly, boat access to the camp has become unsafe, effectively cutting off the route.

Madikeri Division Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Abhishek announced the indefinite suspension of tourist activities at the camp starting May 28.

River-crossing closed

Located on the banks of the Cauvery River, Dubare Elephant Camp is one of Karnataka's major tourist attractions and home to several elephants, including those trained for the annual Mysuru Dasara procession.

The camp can only be accessed by crossing the river via boats, which are now grounded due to dangerous water currents and rising levels.

Authorities have urged tourists to avoid the area and cooperate with safety guidelines until weather conditions improve. Further updates will be issued based on rainfall assessments and river flow conditions.

NDRF team on high alert to tackle monsoon disasters in Kodagu

Madikeri, May 30 (PS&BCT)- With the monsoon arriving earlier than usual this year, the 10th Battalion of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has been deployed in the district and is fully prepared to handle any rain-related emergencies.

NDRF Inspector G.D. Harishchandra Pandey assured that the 30-member team, stationed at the Maithri Police Community Hall, is equipped with all necessary tools and rescue equipment to respond swiftly to natural disasters such as floods and landslides.

The team was deployed in the third week of May following a request from the State Government and the District Administration.

"Our team is ready with life jackets, motorboats, rafts, tree-cutting machines, ropes, searchlights, oxygen cylinders, stretchers, generators and essential medical supplies," said Inspector Pandey. "We are trained and committed to ensuring a timely and effective response during any crisis."

In addition to maintaining a constant state of readiness, the NDRF team is conducting surveys across high-risk areas in the district. "We are assessing ground realities and geographical vulnerabilities to plan our operations more effectively," he added.

Reassuring the public, Inspector Pandey said, "There is no need for panic. He assured that we have a solid strategy in place to tackle any disaster that may arise during the monsoon season."

Chiklihole Dam in Kodagu overflows after heavy rains

Madikeri, May 30 (PS&BCT)- The Chiklihole Dam near Rangasamudra, Kushalnagar — one of the district's smallest water bodies — has reached full capacity following several days of heavy rainfall. Overflowing gracefully, it forms a scenic half-moon-shaped cascade that flows into the nearby river, drawing the attention of tourists and locals alike.

With a storage capacity of just 0.18 tmcft, the reservoir has filled up earlier than usual, providing much-needed relief to farmers and creating a surge in monsoon tourism.

Visitors have been captivated by the milky-white water streaming steadily into the river. Residents recall that the reservoir last reached its full capacity in July of 2024.

However, alongside the picturesque views, concerns have surfaced regarding the reservoir's deteriorating infrastructure. Neglected maintenance has raised fears over the safety and longevity of the aging structures.

Originally designed to irrigate around 2,137 hectares of farmland, the reservoir's upkeep has been hampered by apparent Government apathy, according to local voices.

Tourists and residents have also pointed out the absence of basic amenities, highlighting the urgent need for intervention by the Irrigation Department. Locals believe that with proper development and maintenance, Chiklihole Reservoir could evolve into a major tourist attraction, benefiting the region both agriculturally and economically.

They call upon authorities to prioritise the preservation of this vital water resource to sustain its beauty and functionality for years to come.

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Sathya (H)	(S-2)	1 pm
Ace (Ta)	(S-2)	4.20 pm
Bhool Chuk Maaf (H)	(S-2)	7.25 pm
Bhairavam (Te)	(S-2)	10 pm
Final Destination Bloodlines (E)	(S-3)	11.30 am, 1.55 pm
Raja Puthiran (Ta)	(S-3)	4.15 pm; (S-4) 1.40 pm
Cocktail (H)	(S-3)	7.05 pm
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Thayavva (K)	:	1.35 pm
Khaleja (Te)	:	3.50 pm
Final Destination Bloodlines (E)	:	4.15 pm, 9.45 pm
Manidhargal (Ta)	:	6.45 pm
Bhairavam (Te)	:	10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 30)

- **Abhivruddhi:** Silk India-2025 saree exhibition, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham - Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 83rd Birthday of Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, Karnatak Music Programme by Vidu. Dr. Ramaprabha Yerramilli, **3 pm;** Teppotsava for Sri Datta Venkateshwara Swamy in Saptarshi Sarovara, Ashram premises, Datta Nagar, Nanjangud Road, **7 pm.**
- **Kadamba Rangavedike, Mysuru and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru:** Book release — Dr. D. Gurumurthy Harohalli's 'Dr. Rajkumar The Legend' — by University of Mysore (UoM) and KSOU former VC Prof. K.S. Rangappa, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, writer Dr. C. Naganna speaks about the book, UoM VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath presides, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** T.R. Mahalingam Samsmarana Concert sponsored by Sri Tyagaraja Sangeeta Sabha, Mysuru - Flute Duet by Vid. Heramba & Vid. Hemantha, accompanied by Vid. Arjunkumar Kumar on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Taralabalu Samagama, Mysuru and Taralabalu Kalasangha, Sirigere:** Staging of play 'Swatantrada Ota,' journalist Amshi Prasannakumar inaugurates, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 31)

- **ClearMedi Radiant Hospital, Mysuru:** Walkathon to mark World No Tobacco Day, MUDA Ground, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6.30 am.**
- **Sri Saptamathruka Chowdeshwari Temple, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage:** 20th Annual Pratishtha Vardhanti Festivities-2025, Aksharabhyasa - distribution of school bags, notebooks and writing materials to 1,000 poor students, Temple premises, **9.30 am.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham - Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 83rd Birthday of Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, distribution of charities to specially abled persons, donation to build a room for Mysore Pinjrapole Society, **10 am;** Special instrumental ensemble led by Vid. Ravindra Gururaj Katoti on harmonium, Ashram premises, Datta Nagar, Nanjangud Road, **7 pm.**
- **Abhivruddhi:** Silk India-2025 saree exhibition, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**
- **Karnataka State Open University (KSOU):** Inauguration of Indian Institute of Future Skills, Adichunchanagiri Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji graces the occasion, SJB and BGS Educational Institutions and Hospitals Managing Director Dr. Sri Prakashnath Swamiji and Karnataka Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot, chief guests, KSOU Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sharanappa V. Halse, Ethnotech Group CEO Dr. Kiran K. Rajanna, Karnataka Skill Development Corporation (KSDC) Managing Director N.M. Nagaraj, KSOU Registrar Prof. Naveen Kumar and others will be present, KSOU Convocation Hall, Muktagangothri campus, Hunsur Road, **10.30 am.**
- **GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women (GSSSIETW), Mysuru:** Graduation Ceremony for the MBA students of 2024 passed out batch, Rajesh Sharma, CEO, Kaynes Technology India Ltd., Mysuru, chief guest, Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy, President, GSSS presides, Anupama B. Pandit, Secretary GSSS, R.K. Bharath, Board Member and CEO GSSS, Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW and others will be present, M. Govinda Rao Memorial Hall, GSSSIETW premises, KRS Road, **11 am.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** 'Kathe Kelona Banni-882,' story-telling by V.N. Suma, Teacher, Govt. Girls High School, Nanjangud, Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.**
- **Pratibha Puraskar Presentation:** Yaduveer Wadiyar inaugurates, MLA G.T. Devegowda presides, MLA T.S. Srivatsa guest of honour, former MP Prathap Simha, Nyunya School of Excellence Chairman Raghu R. Kautilya, former MLA L. Nagendra, Vidya Vikas Educational Institutions Secretary Kaveesh Gowda and former Corporator G.S. Jagadeesh will be present, N.R. Subbarao Park, Nivedithanagar, **5 pm.**
- **Kala Samvahana Trust:** 'Sitar Madhurya,' Mass Sitar Recital, 'Raag Chikitsa' book release programme and inauguration of Sitar Training Classes, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Vidu. Sangeetha Katti Kulkarni, Excise Joint Commissioner Basavaraj Hadapad, BBMP Divisional Commissioner Dr. B.C. Sathish, writer-sitarist Ustad Dr. Mohsin Khan, chief guests, Trust President Rajeshwari Vastrad presides, Mass Sitar Recital by Dr. Mohsin Khan and his disciples accompanied by Ustad Nisar Ahmed, Pt. Chinmay Namannavar and Charudutt Maharaj; vocal concert by Vidu. Sangeetha Katti Kulkarni, accompanied by Sridhar Mandre on tabla and Sathish Kolli on harmonium, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.** [Mob: 97388-38940].
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** T.R. Mahalingam Samsmarana Concert sponsored by T.R. Mahalingam Samsmarana Vedike, convened by late A.V. Prakash; Conferring of 'Venu Brahma' title on Dr. C.A. Sridhar in memory of Flute Mali; Flute Duet by Dr. C.A. Sridhar and his son Vid. C.S. Keshava Chandra, accompanied by Vid. R. Achyuta Rao on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.** [Note: If rain or wind persists shows will be cancelled]

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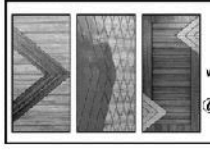
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